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=====FCC REPORTS FOR OCTOBER 2010

===== OCTOBER 1, 2010 =====

=====NASA CAMPAIGN (1:04)

**WASHINGTON, DC - October 1, 2010** - NASA AND UNIVISION COMMUNICATIONS INC. ARE TEAMING UP TO LAUNCH AN ON-AIR AND ONLINE INITIATIVE TO HELP ENGAGE HISPANIC STUDENTS IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATICS (STEM) EDUCATION. NASA IS COMMITTED TO PREPARING THE NEXT GENERATION OF SCIENTISTS, ENGINEERS AND TECHNOLOGISTS. UNIVISION, A LEADING SPANISH-LANGUAGE MEDIA COMPANY WITH TELEVISION, RADIO, ONLINE AND INTERACTIVE ASSETS, IS FOCUSED ON IMPROVING GRADUATION RATES AND PREPARING HISPANIC STUDENTS FOR COLLEGE. BEGINNING SATURDAY, OCT. 2, UNIVISION WILL AIR A SERIES OF SPANISH-LANGUAGE EDUCATIONAL VIDEO SEGMENTS PRODUCED BY NASA AND TITLED "NASA AND YOU" (NASA Y TÚ). FEATURING HISPANIC EMPLOYEES FROM NASA AS ROLE MODELS, THE 30-SECOND VIDEOS WILL PRESENT NEW PERSPECTIVES ON EDUCATION AND STEM CAREERS. AMONG MANY FEATURED NASA STAFF MEMBERS ARE ASTRONAUT JOSE HERNANDEZ, WHO TALKS ABOUT HIS LIFE AND HOW HE BECAME AN ASTRONAUT, AND MARGARET DOMINGUEZ, AN OPTICS ENGINEER, WHO TALKS ABOUT THE ENGINEERING CHALLENGES OF PUTTING A MIRROR AS LARGE AS A TENNIS COURT IN SMALL SPACECRAFT.

=====OCTOBER 4, 2010 =====

=====LAPTOP-TOASTED SKIN (21 SEC)

A MEDICAL REPORT SAYS PEOPLE WHO WORK WITH COMPUTERS ON THEIR LAPS FOR LONG PERIODS COULD SUFFER FROM "TOASTED SKIN SYNDROME." IN ONE CASE, A 12-YEAR-OLD BOY DEVELOPED A SPONGE-PATTERNED SKIN DISCOLORATION ON HIS LEFT THIGH AFTER PLAYING COMPUTER GAMES A FEW HOURS EVERY DAY FOR SEVERAL MONTHS. THE DANGER HAS BEEN HIGHLIGHTED BY SWISS RESEARCHERS IN AN ARTICLE MONDAY IN THE JOURNAL PEDIATRICS. THE CONDITION IS GENERALLY HARMLESS BUT CAN CAUSE PERMANENT SKIN DARKENING. IN VERY RARE CASES, IT CAN CAUSE DAMAGE LEADING TO SKIN CANCERS.

=====10/05/10

**UPGRADED AUTO SAFETY RATINGS (1:34)**

WASHINGTON (AP) -- NEW CARS AND TRUCKS WILL HAVE TO WORK HARDER TO MAKE THE GRADE IN THE GOVERNMENT'S SAFETY RATINGS PROGRAM.

THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT SAID THE UPGRADES TO THE 5-STAR SAFETY RATING SYSTEM WILL MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT FOR NEW VEHICLES TO EARN TOP SCORES OF FIVE STARS. CONSUMERS USE THE SO-CALLED "STARS ON CARS" SYSTEM TO ASSESS AND COMPARE A VEHICLE'S SAFETY VALUE, WHICH IS POSTED ON WINDOW STICKERS ADORNING CARS AND TRUCKS IN DEALER LOTS.

### **BANKS HALT FORECLOSURE SALES IN ALL 50 STATES (:20)**

BANK OF AMERICA HAS DECIDED TO TEMPORARILY HALT FORECLOSURE SALES IN ALL 50 STATES.

IN A STATEMENT, SPOKESWOMAN DAN FRAHM SAID, "BANK OF AMERICA HAS EXTENDED OUR REVIEW OF FORECLOSURE DOCUMENTS TO ALL 50 STATES. WE WILL STOP FORECLOSURE SALES UNTIL OUR ASSESSMENT HAS BEEN SATISFACTORILY COMPLETED. OUR ONGOING ASSESSMENT SHOWS THE BASIS FOR OUR PAST FORECLOSURE DECISIONS IS ACCURATE. WE CONTINUE TO SERVE THE INTERESTS OF OUR CUSTOMERS, INVESTORS AND COMMUNITIES. PROVIDING SOLUTIONS FOR DISTRESSED HOMEOWNERS REMAINS OUR PRIMARY FOCUS."

BOFA WAS ONE OF THREE BANKS, ALONG WITH GMAC MORTGAGE AND JPMORGAN CHASE, THAT HALTED CERTAIN FORECLOSURE ACTIVITIES IN 23 STATES WHERE FORECLOSURES ARE HANDLED IN COURT. THE BANKS MADE THE MOVE AFTER IT CAME OUT IN TESTIMONY AND DEPOSITIONS THAT SOME OF THEIR EMPLOYEES HAD "ROBO-SIGNED" COURT DOCUMENTS THEY HADN'T REALLY READ.

===== 10/11/10

### **Autism linked to jaundice in newborns (:20)**

NEWBORN BABIES WHO DEVELOP JAUNDICE, A COMMON LIVER PROBLEM THAT TURNS THEIR SKIN AND EYES YELLOW, ARE AT GREATER RISK FOR AUTISM, ACCORDING TO DANISH RESEARCHERS WHO STUDIED ALL CHILDREN BORN IN THAT COUNTRY DURING A 10-YEAR PERIOD.

FULL-TERM BABIES BORN BETWEEN 1994 AND 2004 WHO WERE DIAGNOSED WITH JAUNDICE WERE 67 PERCENT MORE LIKELY TO DEVELOP AUTISM THAN THOSE WITHOUT JAUNDICE, ACCORDING TO THE STUDY PUBLISHED IN THE LATEST ISSUE OF THE JOURNAL PEDIATRICS. BABIES MOST AT RISK WERE THOSE BORN TO MOTHERS WHO HAD HAD CHILDREN PREVIOUSLY, AND THOSE BORN IN THE DARKEST MONTHS OF THE YEAR, OCTOBER TO MARCH, SAID RESEARCHERS AT AARHUS UNIVERSITY IN DENMARK.

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=====10/12/10

=====10/13/10

=====CHILE MINERS RESCUED (SPECIAL 1 HOUR COVERAGE)

THE 33RD AND FINAL MINER - LUIS URZUA - REACHED THE SURFACE 22 AND A HALF HOURS AFTER THE RESCUE BEGAN. JUST AS THE 32 MINERS WHO PRECEDED HIM - URZUA IMMEDIATELY EMBRACED HIS LOVED ONES... HE THEN SPOKE TO CHILEAN PRESIDENT SEBASTIAN PINERA - BRIEFLY EXPLAINING THE TIME WHEN THE MEN WERE TRAPPED, BUT NO ONE KNEW THEY WERE ALIVE - SAYING "THE FIRST SEVENTEEN DAYS, THEY ALMOST DIDN'T EAT. THEY HAD LITTLE FOOD BUT KNEW HOW TO ADMINISTER IT." WITH THE MINERS FREED - THE WORK WAS STILL NOT COMPLETE.

SIX RESCUE WORKERS REMAINED BELOW -- BUT WERE QUICKLY RECOVERED...THE LAST ONE TO EMERGE TOLD THE CHILEAN PRESIDENT HE HOPES THIS NEVER HAPPENS AGAIN. PINERA VOWED TO IMPLEMENT NEW MEASURES. CHILE'S HEALTH MINISTER SAID THE MINERS APPEAR SURPRISINGLY HEALTHY ALTHOUGH ONE HAS PNEUMONIA AND TWO REQUIRE DENTAL SURGERY.

EXPERTS SAY THE PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACT OF BEING TRAPPED UNDERGROUND FOR A RECORD 69 DAYS CAN'T BE KNOWN BECAUSE OF HOW UNIQUE THIS SITUATION IS. SO NOW, WITH THE MINE SEALED FOR GOOD - A DIFFERENT KIND OF RECOVERY BEGINS.

=====10/15/10

=====CHILE-MINERS LEAVE HOSPITAL (3 MIN)

SEVERAL OF THE FORMERLY TRAPPED MINERS HAVE ALREADY BEEN RELEASED FROM THE HOSPITAL, AND OFFICIALS SAY MORE WILL LIKELY BE SENT HOME TODAY. MORE OF THOSE MINERS ARE NOW TELLING THEIR STORIES. WITH ALL THIRTY-THREE MINERS SAFELY ABOVE GROUND, THEIR TERRIFYING STORIES OF THEIR TIME TRAPPED IN THE MINE ARE ALSO EMERGING. I THINK THE WORST THING IS TO PASS THREE, FOUR, FIVE DAYS WITHOUT FOOD TO KNOW THAT THERE MIGHT NOT BE ANY FUTURE. THE TWENTY-EIGHTH MINER TO BE RESCUED TELLS OF LOSING TWENTY-SEVEN POUNDS. AND THE FEAR OF DYING UNDERGROUND... LEAVING BEHIND HIS UNBORN CHILD. I WAS AFRAID THAT I WAS NOT GOING TO MEET THE CHILD THAT WAS ON THE WAY. IT WAS THE THING THAT MOST SCARED ME. THE MEN ARE SAID TO BE IN RELATIVELY GOOD HEALTH. THE FIRST THREE WERE RELEASED FROM THE HOSPITAL THURSDAY NIGHT, WITH THE REST EXPECTED OUT BY SUNDAY. WHILE THEIR PHYSICAL HEALTH LOOKS GOOD, EXPERTS SAY THE PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACT ISN'T KNOWN. WITH THE SPOTLIGHT SQUARELY ON THE MEN WHO CAPTIVATED THE WORLD, THEIR PERSONAL STORIES ARE ALSO COMING TO LIGHT, AND SOME MAY FIND THEMSELVES IN A DIFFERENT KIND OF HOLE. SEVERAL PUBLISHED REPORTS SAY THE ORDEAL REVEALED SOME OF THE MEN'S MISTRESSES. IN ONE CASE, THE TWENTY-FIRST MINER TO BE RESCUED WAS GREETED NOT BY HIS WIFE, BUT BY ANOTHER WOMAN HE IS BELIEVED TO LIVE WITH.

=====10/18/10

=====NEW CPR GUIDELINES (24 SEC)

NEW GUIDELINES ARE OUT FOR DOING CPR AND THEY SWITCH THE STEPS TO TAKE. THE NEW ADVICE FOR TRADITIONAL CPR IS TO IMMEDIATELY START WITH HARD, FAST CHEST PRESSES BEFORE GIVING MOUTH-TO-MOUTH TO A VICTIM OF SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST. AN AUTHOR OF THE NEW GUIDELINES SAYS THAT PUTS THE EASIEST STEP FIRST. DR. MICHAEL SAYRE SAYS THE OLD WAY TOOK TIME AND DELAYED THE START OF CHEST PRESSES, WHICH KEEP THE BLOOD CIRCULATING TO THE HEART AND BRAIN. THE NEW ADVICE WAS RELEASED BY THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION. IN RECENT YEARS, CPR GUIDELINES HAVE BEEN PUTTING MORE EMPHASIS ON CHEST COMPRESSIONS.

=====10/19/10

=====8 HR TYLENOL RECALLED AFTER COMPLAINTS OF MOLDY ODOR (20 sec)

THE MAKER OF BENADRYL AND TYLENOL HAS ADDED ANOTHER POPULAR OVER-THE-COUNTER DRUG TO ITS GROWING LIST OF RECALLED PRODUCTS. THE LATEST RECALL AFFECTS TYLENOL 8-HOUR CAPLETS 50 COUNT, SOLD IN THE UNITED STATES AND PUERTO RICO. THE LOT NUMBER IS BCM155. THE LATEST RECALL WAS PROMPTED BY COMPLAINTS OF A MUSTY OR MOLDY ODOR, MCNEIL CONSUMER HEALTHCARE SAID. THE ODOR, THE COMPANY BELIEVES, IS CAUSED BY THE PRESENCE OF TRACE AMOUNTS OF A CHEMICAL CALLED 2,4,6-TRIBROMOANISOLE.

=====10/20/10

=====GRACO STROLLER RECALL (25 SEC)

THE U.S. CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION (CPSC), IN COOPERATION WITH GRACO CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS INC., OF ATLANTA, GA., IS ANNOUNCING THE RECALL OF ABOUT 2 MILLION GRACO STROLLERS DUE TO RISK OF ENTRAPMENT AND STRANGULATION. CPSC AND GRACO HAVE RECEIVED FOUR REPORTS OF INFANT STRANGULATIONS THAT OCCURRED IN THESE STROLLERS BETWEEN 2003 AND 2005. IN ADDITION, CPSC IS AWARE OF FIVE REPORTS OF INFANTS BECOMING ENTRAPPED, RESULTING IN CUTS AND BRUISES, AND ONE REPORT OF AN INFANT HAVING DIFFICULTY BREATHING. ENTRAPMENT AND STRANGULATION CAN OCCUR, ESPECIALLY TO INFANTS YOUNGER THAN 12 MONTHS OF AGE, WHEN A CHILD IS NOT HARNESSSED. AN INFANT CAN PASS THROUGH THE OPENING BETWEEN THE STROLLER TRAY AND SEAT BOTTOM, BUT HIS/HER HEAD AND NECK CAN BECOME ENTRAPPED BY THE TRAY. INFANTS WHO BECOME ENTRAPPED AT THE NECK ARE AT RISK OF STRANGULATION. THE RECALL INVOLVES OLDER VERSIONS OF THE GRACO QUATTRO TOUR™ AND METROLITE™ STROLLERS AND TRAVEL SYSTEMS MANUFACTURED PRIOR TO THE EXISTENCE OF THE JANUARY 2008 VOLUNTARY INDUSTRY STANDARD WHICH ADDRESSES THE HEIGHT OF THE OPENING BETWEEN THE STROLLER'S TRAY AND THE SEAT BOTTOM.

=====10/21/10

=====CELERY RECALL (25 SEC)

TEXAS HEALTH SERVICES.. SHUT DOWN THE SANGAR PLANT.. SAYING CONTAMINATED CELERY.. HAS BEEN LINKED TO ILLNESSES AND FOUR DEATHS. STATE HEALTH OFFICIALS SAY THEIR LAB TESTS SHOWED CHOPPED CELERY WAS CONTAMINATED WITH LISTERIA, NOT AT A FARM, BUT AT THE PLANT. OF 10 ILLNESSES, SIX OF THE CASES ARE DEFINITELY LINKED TO THE SAN ANTONIO PLANT. FOUR OF THOSE PEOPLE, ALL WITH SERIOUS UNDERLYING HEALTH ISSUES, DIED.

=====10/22/10

=====WATER ON THE MOON (18 SEC)

WHEN NASA BLASTED A HOLE IN THE MOON LAST YEAR IN SEARCH OF WATER, SCIENTISTS FIGURED THERE WOULD BE A SPLASH. THEY JUST DIDN'T KNOW HOW BIG. NOW NEW RESULTS FROM THE HOLLYWOOD-ESQUE MOON SHOT REVEAL ABOUT 41 GALLONS OF WATER IN THE FORM OF ICE AND VAPOR. THAT'S ALMOST TWICE AS MUCH AS SCIENTISTS HAD INITIALLY CALCULATED.

=====10/28/10

=====NISSAN RECALLS 2 MILLION VEHICLES (21 sec)

NISSAN RECALLED 2.14 MILLION VEHICLES IN THE U.S., JAPAN, EUROPE AND ASIA, INCLUDING THE POPULAR MARCH AND MYCRA SUBCOMPACTS, FOR AN IGNITION PROBLEM THAT MAY STALL THE ENGINE. NO ACCIDENTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED THAT ARE SUSPECTED OF BEING RELATED TO THE DEFECT, ACCORDING TO YOKOHAMA-BASED NISSAN. A PROBLEM WAS FOUND IN AN IGNITION-SYSTEM PART CALLED THE RELAY FOR VEHICLES PRODUCED FROM 2003 THROUGH 2006, INCLUDING SMALL CARS LIKE THE MARCH, CUBE AND NOTE, AND ABOUT A DOZEN OTHER MODELS, SUCH AS THE TIIDA SEDAN, TITAN PICKUP AND INFINITI QX56 LUXURY MODEL. IN EXTREME CASES, THE ENGINE WILL STALL AND WON'T BE ABLE TO START, SAID NISSAN SPOKESMAN MITSURU YONEKAWA.

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